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DESCRIPTION OF THE EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS

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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A pair of motorcycle tires includes front and rear tires. The front tire's tread band includes at least one circumferential groove and a plurality of transverse grooves. The at least one circumferential groove extends at an equatorial plane of the front tire within a central zone of the tread band. The transverse grooves include axially inner ends lying within the central zone that alternately extend from the central zone toward axially opposite shoulder zones. At least some of the transverse grooves are connected to the at least one circumferential groove. The rear tire's tread band includes an area defining a substantially null sea/land ratio within a central zone of the tread band. The central zone of the rear tire's tread band has a width greater than or equal to about 5% and less than or equal to about 30% of an axial development of the rear tire's tread band.